

KENTUCKY WEEKLY CROP & WEATHER REPORT



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AGRICULTURAL NEWS: The State needs widespread precipitation to maintain crop development, despite localized reports of heavy rainfall in some spotty eastern locations. Precipitation during the week was 0.19 inches which was 0.75 inches below normal. Crops could lose some yield potential due to the lack of soil moisture. The average temperature was the same as the previous week at 75 degrees. Topsoil moisture as of Friday, June 30, was rated 5 percent very short, 31 percent short, 59 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture was rated 3 percent very short, 29 percent short, 63 percent adequate, and 5 percent surplus. With the lack of rain, fieldwork for the week ending June 30, averaged 5.8 days out of a possible 7 days. The majority of fieldwork included wheat combining, soybean planting, cultivating tobacco, baling hay, and mowing pastures where needed.

TOBACCO: Most of the tobacco crop throughout the State has limited disease presence. However, increased blue mold is affecting the tobacco crop in some eastern and central counties. Black shank and flea beetles were also reported in the eastern part of the State. The tobacco condition was rated 1 percent very poor, 3 percent poor, 18 percent fair, 59 percent good, and 19 percent excellent. As of Sunday, July 2, 52 percent of transplants were under 12 inches in height, 35 percent 12-24 inches in height, and 13 percent were over 24 inches.

CORN: Some corn began twisting from lack of moisture. The condition of the corn was rated 1 percent very poor, 3

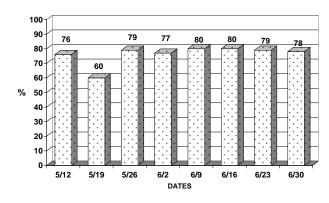
percent poor, 16 percent fair, 42 percent good, and 38 percent excellent. Forty-nine percent of the corn has silked or was silking as of Sunday, July 2, well ahead of last year's 37 percent, and the 5-year average of 41 percent.

<u>SOYBEANS:</u> As of Sunday, July 2, 97 percent of the soybeans have been planted, well ahead of both last year's 82 percent, and the 5-year average of 81 percent. Soybean blooming was at 18 percent, well behind last year's 33 percent, but just ahead of the 5-year average of 14 percent. The soybean condition was rated 1 percent very poor, 4 percent poor, 20 percent fair, 54 percent good, and 21 percent excellent. The soybean crop has been least affected by the dry weather but still needs additional rain, especially for germination of recently planted double crop soybeans.

SMALL GRAINS: Winter wheat harvested was 95 percent completed as of Sunday, July 2, just ahead of last year's 92 percent, and the 5-year average of 89 percent. Optimism for excellent wheat yields and grain quality remain high.

OTHER CROPS: The dry weather has allowed farmers windows of opportunity to bale and haul hay. The second cutting of hay is well underway statewide. Pasture condition deteriorated due to lack of rainfall. Pasture condition as of Friday, June 30 was rated 1 percent very poor, 7 percent poor, 32 percent fair, 47 percent good, and 13 percent excellent.

BURLEY TOBACCO CONDITION % Good to Excellent



WHEAT PERCENT HARVESTED



KENTUCKY CROP PROGRESS

WEEK ENDING JULY 2, 2006 WITH COMPARISONS

Crop Stage	This Week	Previous Year	5-Yr. Avg.	Previous Week			
	VVCCK			KY	U.S.		
	Percentage						
Corn Silking	49	37	41	8	5		
Soybeans Blooming	18	33	14	0	6		
Wheat Harvested	95	92	89	62	53		

(NA)Data Not Available.

SOIL MOISTURE

WEEK ENDING JUNE 30, 2006 WITH COMPARISONS

	This Week	Previous Week				
TOPSOIL	Percentage					
Very Short Short Adequate Surplus	5 31 59 5	5 22 56 17				
SUBSOIL Very Short Short Adequate Surplus	3 29 63 5	6 21 64 9				

ADEQUATE

KENTUCKY CROP CONDITIONS (Percent)

WEEK ENDING JUNE 30, 2006				WEEK ENDING JUNE 23, 2006						
	VERY	/			EXCEL-	VERY				EXCEL-
CROP	POOF	R POOR	FAIR	GOOD	LENT	POOR	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	LENT
Corn	1	3	16	42	38	0	3	13	51	33
Soybeans	1	4	20	54	21	0	2	27	53	18
Pasture	1	7	32	47	13	1	6	25	54	14
Tobacco	1	3	18	59	19	0	3	18	64	15

PRECIPITATION MAP FOR WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, JULY 2, 7:00 P.M. **TOPSOIL MOISTURE DELINEATION FOR WEEK ENDING FRIDAY, JUNE 30, 2006**

SHORT TO ADEQUATE

Covinglan 0.07 Williamstown Huntington 0.75 **ADEQUATE** Grayson 0.05 Louisville 0.89 0.54 Evansville IN. Lexington 0.05 0/14 Bardstown 0.11 Hardinsburg Henderson Jackson Bérea 0.30 0.00 0.01 Cape Girardeau MO. Quicksand Dix Dam Campbellsville 0.31 0.00 Nolin Lake 0.09 Buckhom Lake 0.21 0.28 0.00 Princeton Somerset London Bowling 0.38 0.00 0.05 Paducah Green Glasgow 0.04 0.26 0.00 Cumberland Gap Mayfield 0.00 0.00

SHORT TO ADEQUATE

Nashville TN.

0.58

KENTUCKY WEATHER SUMMARY, JUNE 26 – JULY 2, 2006:

Near Normal Temperatures and Below Normal Rainfall:

After seeing beneficial rainfall the previous week, below normal rainfall fell across the Commonwealth this past week. A stationary front established itself across Eastern Kentucky bringing scattered showers to east and central portions of the State. By mid-week a weak cold front moved through bringing showers to the northern portion of Kentucky and above normal temperatures to the west. Over the weekend high pressure had settled in and hot, dry conditions were present. There were unofficial reports of isolated rainfall totals of 1 to 2 inches in far Eastern Kentucky early in the work week. Temperatures were near normal during the work week and above normal during the weekend.

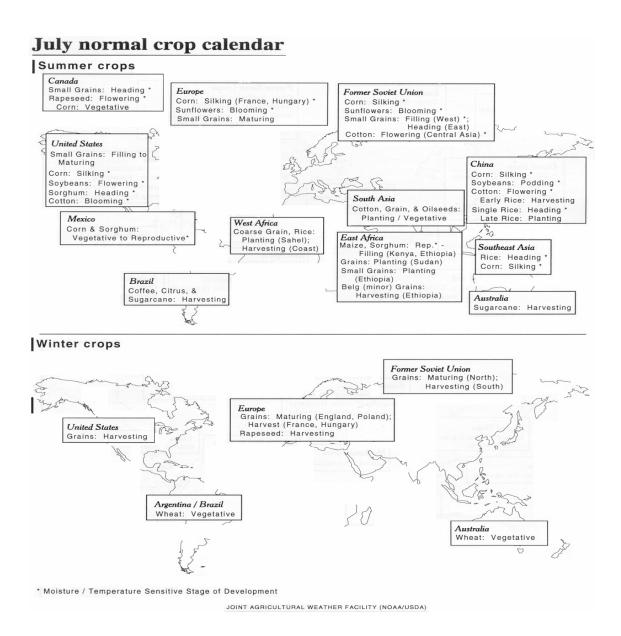
Temperatures for the period averaged 75 degrees across the State which was near normal and the same as last weeks average. High temperatures averaged from 88 in the West to 85 in the East. Departure from normal high temperatures ranged from near normal in the West to near normal in the East. Low temperatures averaged from 64 degrees in the West to 63 degrees in the East. Departure from normal low temperature ranged from 1 degree below normal in the West to 1 degree below normal in the East. Extreme high temperatures were in the low to mid 90s with extreme low temperatures in the mid 50s. Precipitation (liq. equ.) for the period totaled 0.19 inches statewide which was 0.75 inches below normal. Precipitation totals by climate division, West 0.16 inches, Central 0.25 inches, Bluegrass 0.23 inches and East 0.12 inches, which was 0.71, 0.72, 0.70 and 0.85 inches respectively below normal. By station, precipitation totals ranged from a low of 0.00 inches at Berea to a high of 0.89 inches at Grayson.

FOR WEEK ENDING SUNDAY, JULY 2, 7:00 P.M.

Tom Priddy KENTUCKY TEMPERATURES AND RAINFALL

Rainfall **Deviation From** Air Temperature **Growing Degree Days** Since Last Norm Norm Dev. Since Dev. Wkly. Weather Last April Four Since Last From Last Apr. Since Avg. Station Week Wks Apr. 1 4 Wks High Norm Week 1 Apr. 1 1 Low (Inches) (Degrees Fahrenheit) 2.36 92 154 -27 Bardstown 0.11 -3.20-1.131446 9.13 56 72.9 -2 Berea 0.00 11.41 1.47 -1.90 -2.2491 58 74.1 -0 164 1498 -8 10.80 2.05 -2.94 -1.87 97 61 76.6 173 1635 +99 **Bowling Green** 0.26 +1 Bristol 0.89 12.10 2.78 +1.08 -0.5790 57 72.0 -2 150 1397 +17 60 **Buckhorn Lake** 0.00 10.85 2.76 -1.47-1.1594 74.9 +0 165 1481 +163 Cape Girardeau 1.47 -1.86 -1.77 98 58 77.1 +0 169 1689 +88 0.09 11.46 Campbellsville 8.87 0.97 -5.57-2.9893 57 72.9 -2 153 1424 -52 0.21 Covington 0.07 12.57 3.15 +0.43 -0.45 93 55 73.2 -1 155 1343 +21 0.00 60 74.9 165 **Cumberland Gap** 0.00 11.46 -2.03-4.0394 +0 1447 +97 92 57 -0 161 Dix Dam 0.31 10.48 1.51 -2.47-1.9974.0 1383 -90 Evansville 0.05 12.95 1.49 +0.43-1.8095 62 76.3 -1 174 1603 +95 58 75.0 -0 163 0.00 13.08 1.89 -1.47-2.4496 1641 +195 Glasgow Gravson 0.89 12.66 3.76 +0.62 +0.1293 58 75.6 +1 169 1385 +128 0.30 11.89 2.14 -1.39 -1.45 94 60 75.6 +0 167 1471 -65 Hardinsburg Henderson 0.42 11.12 0.87 -1.74-2.68 95 59 75.9 -1 169 1476 -62 Huntington 0.05 11.17 3.17 -0.71-0.3593 57 74.6 +0 165 1470 +118 0.01 11.20 2.69 -1.54 -0.96 91 60 73.6 -1 161 1516 +198 Jackson 0.14 10.58 2.25 -1.75-1.2494 58 73.9 -1 160 1400 +48 Lexington London 0.05 11.89 2.02 -0.22-1.42 93 56 73.3 -1 156 1442 +92 3.96 93 58 73.8 159 1441 -67 Louisville 0.54 15.24 +2.64+0.67-1 1.76 60 74.9 -2 165 Mayfield 0.00 10.31 -3.41-1.4594 1447 -150 0.58 11.57 1.82 -1.51 -1.5397 62 78.1 +3 180 1783 +152 Nashville 2.91 60 171 Nolin Lake 0.28 13.35 -0.91-0.8196 76.7 1466 +55 +1 Paducah 0.04 13.19 2.66 -1.08-1.1295 60 78.1 +1 179 1746 +147 Princeton 0.38 11.83 1.82 -2.06 -1.79 94 59 75.9 -1 170 1670 +102 Quicksand 0.00 7.94 1.22 -4.80-2.4394 60 74.9 +0 165 1443 +125 12.06 2.25 -1.92-1.7489 54 70.6 -4 141 1400 -41 Somerset 0.00 Spindletop 0.09 8.33 1.59 -4.00 -1.90 92 59 73.8 -1 160 1360 +8 74.5 Williamstown 0.75 12.88 3.68 +0.26+0.1293 56 +0 163 1319 -33

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